

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A folder made from folder material stock comprising:
 - a front flap having a first top edge and a first width,
 - a rear flap connected to said front flap by a folder bottom, said rear flap having a second top edge and a second width,
 - a slip-resistant portion being disposed on at least one of said flaps near said first or second top edge comprising a double layer of ~~unembossed~~ material including a first layer of stock material and a second layer of stretchable polymer material both materials having been stretched to accommodate embossments without rupture, said double layer portion being together embossed, whereby said stock material is made tear resistant after embossment due to the elasticity of the polymer material adjacent the stock material.
2. (Previously Presented) The folder of Claim 1, wherein said second layer comprises polymer coating of the stock material.
3. (Previously Presented) The folder of Claim 1, wherein said second layer comprises polymer fibers adhered to said stock material.

4. (Previously Presented) The folder of Claim 1, wherein said second layer further includes a metallic foil.
5. (Original) The folder of Claim 1, wherein said slip resistant portion is inwardly positioned central to said flaps with relation to said width.
6. (Original) The folder of Claim 1, wherein said folder comprises a file folder.
7. (Original) The folder of Claim 1, wherein said folder comprises an expanding file.
8. (Original) The folder of Claim 1, wherein said folder comprises a hanging folder.
9. (Previously Presented) The folder of Claim 1, wherein said second layers further includes areas with and without embossment thereby creating a visible pattern.
10. (Previously Presented) The folder of Claim 7, wherein said areas form patterns of raised ridges and undeformed regions.

11. (Withdrawn) A method of making a slip-resistant folder, said folder having a front flap having a first top edge, a rear flap connected to said front flap by a folder bottom, said rear flap having a second top edge, and a slip-resistant portion disposed on at least one of said flaps near said first or second top edge, said method comprising the steps of:
- (a) providing folder material stock comprising polymeric material;
 - (b) providing embossing dies in spaced, operable, mating relationship;
 - (c) positioning said folder material stock appropriately in said embossing dies;
 - (d) applying force to at least one of said embossing dies so as to decrease the spaced relationship; and
 - (e) deforming said folder material stock.
12. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 11, wherein said embossing dies comprise a rotary embosser.
13. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 12, wherein said rotary embosser is a segmented rotary embosser.
14. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 11, wherein said folder material stock comprises polymer coated paper.

15. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 11, wherein said folder material stock comprises polymer fibers.
17. (Withdrawn) A method of making a slip-resistant hanging folder, said hanging folder having a front flap having a first top edge, a rear flap connected to said front flap by a folder bottom, said rear flap having a second top edge, and a slip-resistant portion disposed on at least one of said flaps near said first or second top edge, said method comprising the steps of:
- (a) providing a web of folder material stock on a roll, said folder material stock comprising polymeric material;
 - (b) providing embossing dies in spaced, operable, mating relationship;
 - (c) providing rod members;
 - (d) providing a cutting blade;
 - (e) feeding said web of folder material stock from said roll into said embossing dies;
 - (f) applying force to at least one of said embossing dies so as to decrease the spaced relationship;
 - (g) deforming said folder material stock;
 - (h) cutting through said web of folder material stock with said cutting blade to form a discrete folder blank having opposing terminal edges;
 - (i) placing one of said rod member along each of said opposing terminal edges;
 - (j) folding said terminal edges to form channels for said rod members; and

(k) folding said discrete folder blank along a medial line to form a hanging folder.

18. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 17, further comprising the step of making slots near each of said opposing terminal edges.

19. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 17, wherein said folder material stock comprises polymer coated paper.

20. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 17, wherein said folder material stock comprises a laminate of paper and a foil film.

21. (Currently amended) A slip resistant portion of folder made from folder material stock comprising:

a first layer of stock material;

a second layer of stretchable polymeric film adhered to the first layer, thereby creating double layer;

said double layer portion having embossments comprising created by embossing said double layer; said second layer being stretched to accommodate said embossments thereby presenting said stock material from tearing and further creating tear resistance in said double layer.

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a rear flap connected to said front flap by a folder bottom, said rear flap having a second top edge and a second width,

a slip-resistant portion being disposed on at least one of said flaps near said first or second top edge comprising a double layer of ~~unembossed~~ material including a first layer of stock material and a second layer of ~~stretchable~~ polymer material, said double layer portion having been stretched to accommodate embossments without rupture, ~~being together embossed~~, whereby said stock material is made tear resistant after embossment due to the elasticity of the polymer material adjacent the stock material.